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<u>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</u>
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SIR:

Submitted herewith are the following:

- 1. Copy of a German Office Action dated June 13, 2007 (and English translation thereof) issued in a counterpart German application;
- 2. IDS Form;
- 3. Copy of newly cited publications (except U.S. patents and U.S. published applications)

JP 4-201750 cited in the attached German Office Action was previously cited in the applicant's IDS filed December 8, 2005.

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USP 6,861,100 cited in the attached IDS Form corresponds to DE 199 56 335 which is cited in the German Office Action.

An English translation of said German is provided, thereby satisfying the requirements for a concise explanation of relevance for any non-English language publications cited therein (MPEP $609\ III\ A(3)$).

An English language Abstract is provided for DE 199 56 335.

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Each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the present Information Disclosure Statement. Said Communication bears a mailing date of <u>June 13, 2007</u>. Therefore, the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement is timely under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97(e) and does not require a fee.

It is requested that initialed copy of the IDS Form be returned to indicate that the publications listed therein have been considered and made of record.

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